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This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is in reply to the final Office Action dated March 22, 2007 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. Claims 1-4 and 10-11 are rejected. Claims 5-9 are withdrawn from consideration. An Amendment after Final Rejection was filed June 22, 2007. An Advisory Action was mailed July 9, 2007 rejecting entry of the proposed amendments. A Petition for a two month extension of time is included with this RCE along with a check for \$1240.00 for the total fee for the two month extension of time (\$450.00) and the RCE (\$790.00).

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The **Current Status of the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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